

REMARKS

Claims 1-29 and 38-43 are pending in the present application. Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-29. The Examiner rejected claims 38, 40 and 41 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Moses et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,612,943). Applicants seek to place the application in condition for allowance.

Claim 38

Applicants cancel claim 38 without prejudice.

Claim 39

Applicants note with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter with respect to claim 39. Claim 39 has been amended to place it independent form. It is believed that claim 39, as amended, is in condition for allowance.

Claim 40

Claim 40 has been amended to depend from claim 39. It is believed that claim 40, as amended, is in condition for allowance.

Claim 41

Applicants cancel claim 41 without prejudice.

Claim 42

Applicants note with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter with respect to claim 42. Claim 42 has been amended to place it independent form. It is believed that claim 42, as amended, is in condition for allowance.

Claim 43

Claim 43 depends from claim 42. It is believed that claim 43 is in condition for allowance.


In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

If, for any reason, the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (213) 892-5630 to discuss any steps necessary to place the application in condition for allowance.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing Docket No. 393032024400.

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